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REQS: (U) (U) DHCD111052, DHCD111054, DHCD111051, DHCD111049, UTCX206000504.

SOURCE: (C) //OTS 6-947-0008-06//FOREIGN MILITARY REPRESENTATIVE WITH DIRECT AND INDIRECT ACCESS TO THE INFORMATION. RO MET SOURCE FOR THE FIRST TIME. CONTEXT STATEMENT - RO AND SOURCE WILL MEET ON A REGULAR BASIS AS A RESULT OF RO AND SOURCE'S OFFICIAL DUTIES. SOURCE PREDECESSOR COOPERATED WITH RO IN THE PAST IN COORDINATING SUPPORT ISSUES FOR U.S. ACTIVITIES. SOURCE APPEARS CREDIBLE. SOURCE IS AWARE THAT INFORMATION WILL REACH U.S. INTELLIGENCE CHANNELS.

SUMMARY: (C//REL TO USA, GBR AND AUS) THE FRENCH DEFENSE MINISTER WILL VISIT TAJIKISTAN BRIEFLY ON 17 DECEMBER THEN 18-19 DECEMBER AS PART OF HER TRIP TO AFGHANISTAN. AT THIS POINT THERE IS NO AGENDA AND THE FRENCH REMAIN UNSURE WHETHER SHE WILL MEET WITH PRESIDENT RAHMONOV.

TEXT: 1. (C//REL TO USA, GBR AND AUS) ON 13 DECEMBER 2005, RO MET WITH SOURCE AND DISCUSSED THE UPCOMING VISIT OF FRENCH DEFENSE MINISTER MICHELE ALLIOT-MARIE. THE DEFENSE MINISTER WILL ONLY PASS THROUGH THE AIRPORT ON 17 DECEMBER EN ROUTE TO AFGHANISTAN. SHE WILL THEN RETURN THE EVENING OF 18 DECEMBER AND DEPART IN THE MORNING OF 19 DECEMBER.

12. (C//REL TO USA, GBR AND AUS) SOURCE STATED THAT THE FRENCH ARE STILL COORDINATING THE VISIT AND TRYING TO MEET WITH PRESIDENT RAHMONOV. THE PRESIDENTIAL ADMINISTRATION HAS NOT CONFIRMED WHETHER PRESIDENT RAHMONOV IS AVAILABLE OR NOT. MS. ALLIOT-MARIE MAY MEET WITH TAJIK MINISTER OF DEFENSE, COLONEL GENERAL SHERALI ((KHAIRULLOEVE)), BUT THAT TOO REMAINS UNCONFIRMED. IN RESPONSE TO RO'S QUESTION, SOURCE STATED THAT THE FRENCH HAVE NOT ENCOUNTERED ANY ISSUES OF CONCERN REGARDING THEIR BASING AGREEMENT AT DUSHANBE AIRPORT AND NO SPECIFIC AGENDA HAS BEEN LAID OUT FOR MS. ALLIOT-MARIE'S VISIT. HE SAID THE TAJIKS ARE NOT ADDING UNWARRANTED BASING CHARGES AS OTHERS IN THE REGION ARE DOING TO THE GERMANS AND THE UNITED STATES. SOURCE CITED THE UZBEKS CHARGING THE FRENCH 4,000 USD FOR ONE C-160 STOP AND GO AT TERMEZ AS AN EXAMPLE OF RISING COSTS IN THE REGION.

13. (C//REL TO USA, GBR AND AUS) SOURCE REITERATED THAT THE FRENCH DID NOT HAVE THE RESOURCES OR SPACE TO SUPPORT OTHER NATIONS USING DUSHANBE AIRPORT FOR SUPPORT OPERATIONS.

COMMENTS: 1. (C//REL TO USA, GBR AND AUS) FIELD COMMENT: FRENCH

CONTINUE TO APPEAR QUITE COMFORTABLE WITH THEIR ARRANGEMENT IN DUSHANBE. WITH NO OUTSTANDING ISSUES AND THE FRENCH DEFENSE MINISTER HAVING BEEN IN DUSHANBE RECENTLY, THE PRESIDENT AND THE FRENCH LIKELY VIEW THE VISIT AS SIMPLY NORMAL COURSE OF BUSINESS.

12. (U) HEADQUARTERS COMMENT. REQUEST ORIGINATOR OF CITED REQUIREMENTS AND INTERESTED CONSUMERS PUBLISH AN EVALUATION OF

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PUBLISH THE INPUT AS AN IIR EVALUATION.

13. (U) SOURCE IS AVAILABLE FOR FURTHER CONTACT.

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